

House Resolution No. 4481

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State religious institutions that admirably enhance the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their spiritual services; and

Whereas, Pleasant Valley Southern Baptist Church of Puxico, Missouri, was founded in 1886 with eight members, one of whom was Huldah Jane Hickman who was born on October 2, 1861; died on April 21, 1943; and has third-, fourth-, and fifth-generation descendants still attending the church; and

Whereas, Pleasant Valley Southern Baptist Church worshiped in the Cobb schoolhouse and purchased the structure in 1950 after the school was consolidated with the Puxico School District; and

Whereas, located five miles from Wappapello Lake, Pleasant Valley Southern Baptist Church baptized new converts and members in the lake until 1998 when a baptistry and two classrooms were constructed with help from the Campers on Mission and the Baptist Builders organizations; and

Whereas, Campers on Mission and Baptist Builders members subsequently helped build a large fellowship hall in 2003, after which time a new roof was installed on the expanded building and a new steeple was set in place; and

Whereas, Pleasant Valley Southern Baptist Church became incorporated as a not-for-profit organization in 1981 and adopted its present constitution and by-laws in 1982; and

Whereas, in addition to many infrastructure improvements down through the years, Pleasant Valley Southern Baptist Church has expanded its programming to include Vacation Bible School, a Youth Ministry, and a Women's Missionary Union along with the full-time ministry efforts provided by its pastor and deacons; and

Whereas, Pleasant Valley Southern Baptist Church is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, Missouri Baptist Convention, and Cane Creek Stoddard Association:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Pleasant Valley Southern Baptist Church and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the One Hundred Twenty-second Anniversary of the establishment of their highly esteemed religious institution; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Pleasant Valley Southern Baptist Church of Puxico, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Billy Pat Wright
District No. 159

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4481, adopted October 28, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker